

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 are pending in this application. Applicant is amending herewith Claims 1 and 2. Support for these amendments is found generally throughout the specification. Applicant submits that entry of the requested amendments is proper because they do not introduce new matter. Following entry of the amendments requested herein, Claims 1 and 2 will still be pending in this application and will be subject to further examination. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The Office Action:

The Office Action raises a question regarding the IDS filed in the above-referenced application. Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that applicant regards as his invention. Claim 2 was objected to under 37 CFR 1.75. Applicant respectfully traverses the foregoing rejections and objections.

The IDS:

The rejection asks for clarification of the IDS filed in the present application. Specifically, the rejection asks whether the patent number of a reference submitted was U.S. Patent No. 4,265,782 or U.S. Patent No. 4,264,782. As the Examiner has correctly determined, the proper number is U.S. Patent No. 4,264,782. A corrected form PTO-1449 is submitted herewith.

The Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112:

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that applicant regards as his invention. The Examiner states that it is unclear what the reader is that is referenced in the claims.

Applicant is amending Claims 1 and 2 herewith to more clearly define what the reader is. Support for these amendments may be found at page 6, lines 3-5 and page 8 lines 11-13. Thus, the specification states, “digital graph-text documents for reader 5 would also be printed out on transparent or translucent sheets to form the same number of readers 10”, and “the reader 10 can be a rigid card or a flexible one and is made by typed or printed plastic sheets.” From the foregoing and Fig. 3 of the specification, it is clear that a reader is transparent or translucent sheets having digital graph-text printed thereon. The reader can be a rigid card or a flexible card and is made from typed or printed plastic sheets.

The goal of the present invention is to provide a technique of graph-text enciphering and its secure transfer on a network. Using 3D techniques and existing network facilities, security of graph-text information transfer on a network can be guaranteed until the reader is delivered to the end user. As explained above, the reader is an encrypted sheet where such sheet is oriented by defined parameters and angles, said sheet decrypting the encrypted text for viewing and examination by covering the encrypted sheet with the reader.

Applicant is amending Claim 1 herewith to more clearly define the foregoing features of the invention. Applicant submits that this amendment overcomes the rejection under Section 112. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

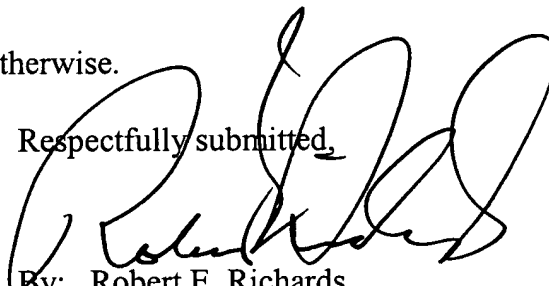
The Objection Under 37 CFR 1.75:

Claim 2 was objected to under 37 CFR 1.75 as being a substantial duplicate of Claim 1. Applicant submits that upon a careful reading, Claims 1 and 2 clearly involve at least some different aspects of the invention. For example, Claim 1 provides "in response to the recipient receiving said digital graph-text document for reader, sending an acknowledgement to the control center." No such similar limitation appears in Claim 2. Thus, Claims 1 and 2 are of different scope, and, therefore, cannot be considered to be substantial duplicates. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objection to Claim 2 under 37 CFR 1.75.

Conclusion:

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments. Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Such action is courteously solicited. Applicant further requests that the Examiner call the undersigned counsel if allowance of the claims can be facilitated by examiner's amendment, telephone interview or otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,



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